

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY DUBLIN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8652

C O N F I D E N T I A L DUBLIN 2628

FOR EAGLEBURGER FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJECT: COUNTER TERRORISM IMPROVEMENTS TO OVERSEAS POSTS

REF: STATE 302209

1. I AGREE THAT OUR ANTI-TERRORISM DEFENSES MUST REMAIN STRONG. AS SEEN FROM THIS ISLAND, WHERE TERRORISM IS ENDEMIC, PERSONAL SECURITY AND THOROUGH PHYSICAL SECURITY HAS BECOME A WAY OF LIFE. WITH DEPARTMENT AND FRANKFURT HELP WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED A GREAT DEAL: BOMB CURTAINS AND BOMB-PROOFING WINDOWS, PROTECTIVE GUARD SERVICE AND PARTIAL VEHICLE ARMORING. IN SOME AREAS WE ARE WEARING BOTH SUSPENDERS AND A BELT.

2. NEVERTHELESS, IN ANOTHER AREA WE ARE EXTREMELY VULNERABLE AND I AM, AND HAVE BEEN, VERY CONCERNED. THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO OUR CIRCULAR EMBASSY CHANCERY IS VIRTUALLY UNDEFENDABLE AND VISITORS FOR WHATEVER PURPOSE, ONCE ADMITTED TO THE BUILDING, HAVE WITH MINIMAL EFFORT, FULL ACCESS TO THE ENTIRE PREMISES.

3. WE HAVE TRIED TO GET DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL FOR OVER A YEAR TO MAKE STRUCTURAL CHANGES ON THE GROUND FLOOR TO PROVIDE BETTER PHYSICAL SECURITY WITHOUT REPEAT WITHOUT ALTERING IN ANY WAY THE INTEGRITY OF THE ARCHITECTURE OR HINDERING THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS. A STEADY STREAM OF SECURITY OFFICERS, TECHNICAL TEAMS, FOREIGN SERVICE INSPECTORS AND BUREAU OFFICIALS HAVE SEEN OUR PLANS AND ENTHUSIASTICALLY CONCUR. YET, FINAL APPROVAL HAS NOT BEEN FORTHCOMING.

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4. EVERY OTHER EMBASSY IN DUBLIN HAS TIGHTER PHYSICAL SECURITY DEFENSES RELATING TO PUBLIC ACCESS THAN THE AMERICAN EMBASSY, THE LARGEST AND BUSIEST OF THEM ALL. THOSE WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY UN-CONTROLLED PUBLIC ACCESS QUICKLY GOT THE MESSAGE AFTER THE ASSASSINATION OF THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR LAST SUMMER.

5. ANYTHING YOU CAN DO TO GET THE ABOVE PHYSICAL SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS APPROVED PROMPTLY WOULD BE APPRECIATED. CURLEY

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